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SUBJECT: ELECTION CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER PARTIAL

SENATE ELECTIONS

1. THE OFFICIAL "ELECTION PERIOD" FOR THE OCTOBER 12 ELECTIONS  
FOR ONE-THIRD OF THE SENATE BEGAN AUGUST 3. ALTHOUGH THE LEGALLY  
PRESCRIBED OPENING DATE FOR ELECTION CAMPAIGNING IS STILL SEVEN  
WEEKS AWAY, THE MAJOR PARTIES HAVE BEEN CARRYING ON WHAT AMOUNTS  
TO CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES FOR SOME TIME. WITH THE OPENING OF THE  
ELECTION PERIOD, THE STATE RADIO AND TELEVISION HAS BEGUN DAILY  
BROADCASTS OF STATEMENTS BY THE POLITICAL PARTIES. SO FAR THE  
ONLY PARTY TO RAISE THE ARMS EMBARGO ISSUE HAS BEEN THE ALMOST  
DEFUNCT NATION PARTY, WHICH ANNOUNCED IT ADVOCATED THE EXPULSION  
FROM TURKEY OF ALL U.S. GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL EXCEPT DIPLOMATS.

2. THE FOLLOWING ARE IMPORTANT DATES IN THE ELECTIONPROCESS:

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3-THE ELECTION PERIOD BEGAN. AS OF THIS  
DATE CABINET MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT CANNOT  
ATTEND OFFICIAL CEREMONIES SUCH AS GROUND-BREAKINGS.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13-DEADLINE FOR THE RESIGNATION OF MEMBERS  
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OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO WISH TO BE CANDIDATES.

SUNDAY, AGUUST 31- PRIMARY ELECTIONS TAKE PLACE AND CANDIDATES FROM THE PARTIES' "HEADQUARTERS QUOTAS" ARE NOMINATED.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5-TENTATIVE CANDIDATE LISTS ARE ANNOUNCED.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15- FINAL CANDIDATE LISTS ARE ANNOUNCED.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21-THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN PERIOD OFFICIALLY BEGINS.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30- ELECTION PROPAGANDA BEGINS ON RADIO.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11-THE OFFICIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN PERIOD, INCLUDING RADIO PROPAGANDA, ENDS AT 1800 HOURS.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12-ELECTION DAY.

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